

2024 NHL DRAFT GUIDE



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MACKLIN CELEBRINI

CENTER • BOSTON UNIVERSITY • NCAA • 5'11" • 187 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 38GP • 32G • 32A • 64P • 18PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	A
PUCK SKILLS	A-	SHOOTING	A	PASSING	B+
FRANCHISE PLAYER					

SCOUTING REPORT: A franchise-altering prospect, Celebrini is an elite talent with all of the tools you look for in a franchise cornerstone. Celebrini became the youngest player in history to win the Hobey Baker Award as the NCAA's Top Player, posting 32 goals and 64 points in 38 games as a 17-year-old playing against athletes who were up to 8 years older than him. His intelligence carries him through all phases of the game, showing exceptional reads at both ends of the ice, and can maximize his reads with elite offensive touch. Celebrini can skate, shoot, pass, play with skill, and has all the makings of a top-line NHL center.

NHL COMPARABLE: Steven Stamkos



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IVAN DEMIDOV

RIGHT WING • SKA-1946 ST. PETERSBURG • MHL • 5'11" • 168 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 30GP • 23G • 37A • 60P • 20PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	C-	SENSES	A-
PUCK SKILLS	S	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	A
FRANCHISE/ELITE BUBBLE					

SCOUTING REPORT: The most skilled player in the class, Demidov is another super talent coming out of Russia fresh off the heels of Matvei Michkov in 2023. Despite not being in the top slot, Demidov has arguably the highest offensive ceiling of any player in this draft. He's a dynamic and creative attacker with a set of hands that are elite as it gets, allowing him to slip through tight gaps in coverage and work into high-danger scoring areas. Capable as a scorer, but excels particularly as a playmaker with a skill set that led to a 37 assist, 60 point season in 30 games played, earning him MVP honors in the MHL.

NHL COMPARABLE: Artemi Panarin



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CAYDEN LINDSTROM

CENTER / LEFT WING • MEDICINE HAT TIGERS • WHL • 6'4" • 216 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 32GP • 27G • 19A • 46P • 66PIM

SKATING	B+	PHYSICALITY	A-	SENSES	B+
PUCK SKILLS	B+	SHOOTING	A-	PASSING	B
ELITE PROSPECT					

SCOUTING REPORT: The best power forward that the 2024 class has to offer, Lindstrom is a tantalizing blend of size and an offensive tool kit that borders between high-end and elite. An injury-shortened season held Lindstrom to just 32 games this year in Medicine Hat, but he was sensational for the Tigers, scoring near a goal-per-game with 27 goals and 46 points in 32 games. Lindstrom checks nearly every box that you look for in a modern day, top-of-the-lineup power forward, with plus skating, offensive smarts, strong offensive skill, and one of the best shots available in this year's draft.

NHL COMPARABLE: Roope Hintz



BERKLY CATTON

CENTER • SPOKANE CHIEFS • WHL • 5'11" • 163 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 68GP • 54G • 62A • 116P • 41PIM

SKATING	A-	PHYSICALITY	D+	SENSES	B+
PUCK SKILLS	A	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	A-

ELITE PROSPECT

SCOUTING REPORT: A dynamic offensive force that led all draft eligibles in scoring this year, Catton is a highly-skilled center who is able to blend his raw skill with offensive intelligence to contribute on the scoresheet. Catton has game-changing transitional ability, he's an elite puck handler who can weave through defenders, play with speed, and has the smarts to work off the give and go with his teammates, making him a lethal threat off the rush. A pure playmaker at heart, but has a quickly growing goal scorer's touch that allowed him to score 54 goals this year in the WHL.

NHL COMPARABLE: Jesper Bratt



SAM DICKINSON

DEFENSE • LONDON KNIGHTS • OHL • 6'3" • 194 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 68GP • 18G • 52A • 70P • 30PIM

SKATING	A	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B+
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	B

ELITE PROSPECT

SCOUTING REPORT: Dickinson is a rangy two-way blue liner who possesses all the tools that clubs covet in a top pair defenseman. The marquee selling point of Dickinson's game is his mobility mixed with size; he's a near flawless skater, able to patrol his own blue line effortlessly when his mobility is paired with his long reach. Though not a dynamic attacker, he's certainly capable in that area of the game, able to get up and join the rush well and does a good job of filling lanes on the rush to make himself an option for teammates. A true all-situations minute-muncher who averaged nearly 25 minutes a night for the OHL champion Knights.

NHL COMPARABLE: Miro Heiskanen



ARTYOM LEVSHUNOV

DEFENSE • MICHIGAN STATE • NCAA • 6'2" • 209 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 38GP • 9G • 26A • 35P • 44PIM

SKATING	B+	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	A-
PUCK SKILLS	B+	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	B

ELITE PROSPECT

SCOUTING REPORT: A remarkably well-rounded defenseman with a sky-high ceiling, Levshunov is an active two-way defender who is constantly looking to drive possession of the puck. Levshunov showed tremendous growth throughout the year into a now reliable 200-foot player. Levshunov's transition defense is excellent, able to control his gaps well, play with an active stick, and even lay well-timed body checks, but his true selling point is his offensive instincts. He's a skilled attacker who can make checkers miss at the blue line and find open space to generate offense from the blue line.

NHL COMPARABLE: Noah Dobson



ZAYNE PAREKH

DEFENSE • SAGINAW SPIRIT • OHL • 6'0" • 181 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 66GP • 33G • 63A • 96P • 64PIM

SKATING	B+	PHYSICALITY	C	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	A-	SHOOTING	A-	PASSING	A-
ELITE PROSPECT					

SCOUTING REPORT: Meet the top offensive defenseman in the class. Parekh is a tremendous offensive talent from the back end, owning several NHL-quality tools with soft hands, elite offensive vision, and an excellent shot that allowed him to bury 33 goals this year in the OHL, leading all defensemen in both goals and points throughout the year. Parekh is a plus skater who can move in all four directions easily, allowing him to play an elusive, twitchy style on the puck to shake checkers and find space. He'll need to find more consistency in his own end, but at minimum he profiles as a PP1 specialist.

NHL COMPARABLE: John Carlson



TIJ IGINLA

LEFT WING • KELOWNA KNIGHTS • WHL • 6'0" • 181 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 64GP • 47G • 37A • 84P • 35PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	B+
PUCK SKILLS	A-	SHOOTING	A-	PASSING	B
ELITE PROSPECT					

SCOUTING REPORT: The son of Calgary Flames legend Jarome Iginla, Tij is a high-motor forward who looks poised to fill nets in the NHL just like his father did. Iginla's a natural goal scorer who can contribute in a number of ways, showing high-end small area skill that allows him to score in close while also having a strong shot that allows him to beat goalies from range as well. Despite a smaller frame for his archetype, Iginla has a strong power element to his game, able to bounce off checks, play in hard areas, and drive the center lane of the offensive zone to get to loose pucks and score goals.

NHL COMPARABLE: Jake Guentzel



ZEEV BUIUM

DEFENSE • UNIVERSITY OF DENVER • NCAA • 6'2" • 181 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 41GP • 11G • 39A • 50P • 20PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	A-
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	A
ELITE PROSPECT					

SCOUTING REPORT: Buium is a smooth and intelligent defenseman who's coming off a National Championship with Denver this past season. Buium was a massive part of the Pioneers title run, with a package that includes smooth four-way mobility, poise with the puck on his stick, and advanced offensive vision that allowed him to post the highest-scoring season by a draft-eligible defenseman in NCAA history with 50 points in 42 games. Poise and intelligence is the name of the game for Buium – he remains calm under pressure and can make quick, sound decisions with the puck at both ends of the ice.

NHL COMPARABLE: Shea Theodore



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COLE EISERMAN

LEFT WING • USNTDP U18 • NTDP • 6'0" • 196 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 53GP • 55G • 30A • 85P • 34PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	A	PASSING	B-
HIGH-END PROSPECT					

SCOUTING REPORT: The top goal-scorer in the history of the U.S. National Team Development Program, Eiserman was able to claim the single-season goal scoring record previously held by Cole Caufield due to his multi-faceted finishing skill set. Eiserman has a multitude of shot types at his disposal, including a heavy one-timer on his off-wing, an accurate and powerful wrist shot that allows him to pick corners, and a quick release on his snap shot to get pucks on net on the rush. Not a well-rounded 200-foot player, but scoring is the hardest thing in hockey to do and he does it better than anyone in this class.

NHL COMPARABLE: Max Pacioretty

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ANTON SILAYEV

DEFENSE • NIZHNY NOVGOROD • KHL • 6'7" • 207 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 63GP • 3G • 8A • 11P • 10PIM

SKATING	A	PHYSICALITY	S	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-
HIGH-END PROSPECT					

SCOUTING REPORT: A behemoth of a defenseman, Silayev is a massive 6-foot-7 blue liner with a mouth-watering combination of tools. Evangelists of Silayev's game will point out two key selling points: his size mixed with his skating. It's incredibly rare to find defensemen with Silayev's frame that also move the way he does, he's fluid in his movements with a long, smooth stride that allows him to cover ground quickly. He's so rangy with how much ice he can cover with his skating and reach, making him a natural play killer in transition. Not a natural offensive contributor, but has the tools to be a special defensive force.

NHL COMPARABLE: Nikita Zadorov

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KONSTA HELENIOUS

CENTER / RIGHT WING • JUKURIT • LIIGA • 5'11" • 181 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 51GP • 14G • 22A • 36P • 10PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	A
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B+
HIGH-END PROSPECT					

SCOUTING REPORT: Helenius is a mature and intelligent playmaking center who made an immediate impact in the Finnish Liiga this year, posting 36 points in 51 games while playing against men in Finland's top professional league. Helenius plays with already well-formed pro habits, he's an incredibly smart 200-foot player whose game is built around quick reads and sound decision-making. Though he's not a dynamic offensive player, he's a capable stick handler and a crisp accurate passer, allowing him to make the most of his reads and find teammates in high-danger scoring areas to create offense.

NHL COMPARABLE: Anton Lundell



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TREVOR CONNELLY

LEFT WING • TRI-CITY STORM • USHL • 6'1" • 161 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 52GP • 31G • 47A • 78P • 88PIM

SKATING	B+	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	A-	SHOOTING	B+	PASSING	B+

HIGH-END PROSPECT

SCOUTING REPORT: A smooth, dynamic American winger, Connelly is a dual-threat forward who dominated the USHL this year in Tri-City. Connelly has the type of skill that leaves you on the edge of your seat every time he's on the ice. He sees the ice incredibly well on the offensive side of the puck, able to generate offense on the rush by planning his attacking routes through the neutral zone well or playing well off his teammates to set up and exploit open space on the give-and-go. On talent, Connelly is a sure top ten talent, but character concerns from his past will likely push him further down draft boards.

NHL COMPARABLE: Nikolaj Ehlers



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CARTER YAKEMCHUK

DEFENSE • CALGARY HITMEN • WHL • 6'3" • 194 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 66GP • 30G • 41A • 71P • 120PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	A-	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	A	SHOOTING	A-	PASSING	B

HIGH-END PROSPECT

SCOUTING REPORT: Yakemchuk plays the game like a bull in a china shop, with an aggressive, attacking style on both sides of the puck that grabs your attention immediately. It's remarkably rare to find a 6-foot-3 defenseman who can handle the puck like Yakemchuk can. He's a creative and dynamic stick handler who shows no hesitation in jumping up from the back end to generate offense, and has a knack for creating game-changing individual efforts. He's unafraid to lay the body and deliver heavy open-ice body checks and will just need to learn to rein in reckless behavior at times to play at the next level.

NHL COMPARABLE: P.K. Subban



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BECKETT SENNECKE

RIGHT WING • OSHAWA GENERALS • OHL • 6'3" • 182 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 63GP • 27G • 41A • 68P • 67PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	A-	SHOOTING	B+	PASSING	B+

HIGH-END PROSPECT

SCOUTING REPORT: A dual-threat forward who rocketed up draft boards in the second half of the season, Sennecke is among the most skilled players available in this class and boasts a tantalizing ceiling as he continues to grow. Between the end of the regular season and the OHL playoffs, Sennecke was a menace on the scoresheet, exploding for 44 points in his final 28 games, flashing displays of elite one-on-one skill that led to a number of highlight reel goals. He's a creative and deceptive puck handler who can bait defenders to open up space, and has a potential untapped power element to his game as he continues to grow into his 6-foot-3 frame.

NHL COMPARABLE: Drake Batherson



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MICHAEL BRANDSEGG-NYGÅRD

RIGHT WING • MORA IK • ALLSVENSKAN • 6'1" • 198 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 41GP • 8G • 10A • 18P • 19PIM

SKATING	B+	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B+	PASSING	B-
TOP OF LINEUP PLAYER					

SCOUTING REPORT: A high-motor forechecking winger, Brandsegg-Nygård plays a translatable north-south game that should make him a fixture in NHL lineups for many years. The Norwegian winger is a natural goal scorer, able to score in multiple ways with a nose for the net, good off-puck smarts to find his way into scoring areas, and a strong shot that allows him to beat netminders from range. Brandsegg-Nygård is not as purely skilled as some of his contemporaries at the top of this class, but he offers a translatable, pro-style game that will allow him to play up and down a lineup and offers 30-goal upside.

NHL COMPARABLE: Jamie Langenbrunner



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MICHAEL HAGE

CENTER / RIGHT WING • CHICAGO STEEL • USHL • 6'1" • 190 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 54GP • 33G • 42A • 75P • 53PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B+	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	A-
TOP OF LINEUP PLAYER					

SCOUTING REPORT: Hage is a highly-skilled and intelligent playmaking center who was among the top players in the USHL this year while playing for a weaker-than-normal Chicago Steel team. Hage was a one-man offensive catalyst for the Steel this year, showing dual-threat ability as a finisher and facilitator. He's a very crafty and elusive puck handler who can spin away from checks or weave through defenders with one-on-one skill to get to the netfront. Sees the ice incredibly well and is a natural playmaker at heart; a boom-or-bust prospect with high-end offensive ceiling but may need to be in an NHL top six to contribute.

NHL COMPARABLE: Nick Schmaltz



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LIAM GREENTREE

LEFT WING / RIGHT WING • WINDSOR SPITFIRES • OHL • 6'2" • 214 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 64GP • 36G • 54A • 90P • 33PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B+	SHOOTING	B+	PASSING	B+
TOP OF LINEUP PLAYER					

SCOUTING REPORT: A toolsy power winger who can blend size and skill, Greentree possesses some of the highest upside that's likely to be available outside of the top 15. Greentree is a very skilled player for his size, able to stick handle and weave through traffic with ease and work with his teammates to generate high-danger offense. Equally efficient as a scorer and passer, he sees the ice well and has a heavy shot. Overall foot speed and a weak U18 international performance leave some concerns as to whether or not his game will translate to higher levels, but his offensive smarts, skill, and size are worth the gamble.

NHL COMPARABLE: Jason Arnott



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IGOR CHERNYSHOV

LEFT WING • DYNAMO MOSKVA • KHL • 6'2" • 196 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 34GP • 3G • 1A • 4P • 2PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B+	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	B-
TOP / MIDDLE OF LINEUP BUBBLE					

SCOUTING REPORT: A skilled, lengthy Russian winger, Chernyshov has a number of pro-quality tools at his disposal that he uses to drive possession and create offense. Chernyshov boasts as a pro-ready frame and a long, powerful stride that allows him to move through the neutral zone and play below the dots with ease. He handles pucks well and shows natural puck carrying instincts, able to secure controlled zone entries and facilitates offense for his team. He's a natural shooter who was a productive scorer at Russia's junior level, but still has more to prove that he can create at the next level.

NHL COMPARABLE: Brock Nelson



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STIAN SOLBERG

DEFENSE • VÅLERENGA • NORWAY • 6'2" • 201 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 42GP • 5G • 10A • 15P • 47PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	A	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B-
TOP / MIDDLE OF LINEUP BUBBLE					

SCOUTING REPORT: The most physical player in the class, Solberg has one of the quickest risers in the draft, buoyed by his strong showing at this year's World Championships for Norway. Solberg is a blend of a bit of old school and modern day defensive hockey, with a mean, hard edge to his game mixed with mobility and two-way acumen. Many scouts have simply used the word "violent" to describe Solberg, a reputation he's earned with his willingness to lay the body, step up on puck carriers, and make attackers regret camping out at the goal mouth. Likely isn't a true offensive contributor at the NHL level, but projects as a physical puck mover.

NHL COMPARABLE: Jake McCabe



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EJ EMERY

DEFENSE • USNTDP U18 • NTDP • 6'3" • 185 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 57GP • 0G • 13A • 13P • 61PIM

SKATING	B+	PHYSICALITY	A	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	C-	PASSING	B-
TOP / MIDDLE OF LINEUP BUBBLE					

SCOUTING REPORT: A rangy shutdown defenseman who plays a modern defensive style with high-end mobility and physicality, Emery emerged as the top USNTDP defenseman this year with his sturdy, reliable style of play. Emery is a very smooth skater with crisp four-way mobility, allowing him to control his gaps and stick with attackers in one-on-one defensive situations while also having a long, active stick to break up plays and angle attackers to the boards. His offensive game is very limited as he keeps things basic, but his mobility lends upside to his transition and puck moving game.

NHL COMPARABLE: Alex Vlasic



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ANDREW BASHA

LEFT WING • MEDICINE HAT TIGERS • WHL • 6'0" • 185 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 63GP • 30G • 55A • 85P • 48PIM

SKATING	A-	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B
TOP / MIDDLE OF LINEUP BUBBLE					

SCOUTING REPORT: A speedy ball of energy, Basha looks to make an impact on the game by dialing up the pace of play every time he's on the ice. Basha uses his speed as the main weapon in his arsenal, using it to challenge defenders on the rush with quick bursts into open space and sharp crossovers that allow him to spin away from pressure in tight spaces. He can make plays at top speed and is a gifted playmaker, showcasing good offensive zone vision and can deliver the puck into tight windows. Basha's 200-foot game is somewhat limited, but his speed and skill is worth consideration in the 1st Round.

NHL COMPARABLE: Jordan Kyrrou



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JETT LUCHANKO

CENTER / RIGHT WING • GUELPH STORM • OHL • 5'11" • 183 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 68GP • 20G • 54A • 74P • 36PIM

SKATING	B+	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B
TOP / MIDDLE OF LINEUP BUBBLE					

SCOUTING REPORT: One of the fastest straight-line skaters in the draft, Luchanko is a heady two-way center who excels on the offensive side of the puck particularly as a playmaker. The hallmark of Luchanko's game is his speed mixed with his quick reads, as he can see the ice and make quick decisions while moving at top speed to break down opposing defenses. He utilizes his teammates well, working on the rush off give-and-goes and supporting pucks, and is a player that many teams will see as a reliable, projectable top nine forward due to his well-rounded 200-foot game.

NHL COMPARABLE: William Karlsson



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SACHA BOISVERT

CENTER • MUSKEGON LUMBERJACKS • USHL • 6'2" • 179 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 61GP • 36G • 32A • 68P • 86PIM

SKATING	C-	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	B
MIDDLE OF LINEUP PLAYER					

SCOUTING REPORT: Boisvert is a big and skilled power center who plays the game through the middle of the ice with a well-rounded offensive tool kit and a palpable mean streak. He's a competitive forward who excels particularly in the offensive zone as a scorer, using his frame and motor to work his way through the center lane to make himself available for shooting opportunities and has a good finishing tool kit as well. The main concern for Boisvert's NHL projection is his skating ability, as his stride is clunky and inefficient and will need to be smoothed out as he transitions to higher levels.

NHL COMPARABLE: Olli Jokinen



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TEDDY STIGA

LEFT WING • USNTDP U18 • NTDP • 5'10" • 176 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 57GP • 32G • 43A • 75P • 36PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	B+
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B

MIDDLE OF LINEUP PLAYER

SCOUTING REPORT: A high-intelligence winger whose offensive game took massive steps throughout the year, Stiga is able to make an impact on the scoresheet due to his high motor and excellent reads. Stiga is among the smartest forwards available in this year's class, with excellent off-puck positional habits and quick reads in the offensive zone to work off of teammates to generate offense. He's a high-end puck supporter who is a great fit when working off the cycle, lacks true elite offensive tools but has the pro-level habits that make him an excellent supporting fit on a line with high-skill players.

NHL COMPARABLE: Brandon Saad



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NIKITA ARTAMONOV

RIGHT WING • NIZHNY NOVGOROD • KHL • 5'11" • 187 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 54GP • 7G • 16A • 23P • 16PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B

MIDDLE OF LINEUP PLAYER

SCOUTING REPORT: Artamonov is a hard-working winger who plays the game with offensive intelligence and high-end forechecking ability. Artamonov shows great habits when working below the hash marks in the offensive zone, able to close gaps on puck carriers and get his stick into breakout lanes to generate turnovers and prolong offensive zone possession. A natural playmaker who can find teammates with a variety of passes, whether that be crisp passes through tight seams or soft areas into space. Not a dynamic puck handler or skater, but moves well enough to uses his motor to get to space.

NHL COMPARABLE: Chris Kunitz



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EGOR SURIN

CENTER / RIGHT WING • LOKO YAROSLAVL • MHL • 6'1" • 192 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 42GP • 22G • 30A • 52P • 108PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-

MIDDLE OF LINEUP PLAYER

SCOUTING REPORT: A high-energy, skilled Russian forward, Surin is a versatile pest of a player who frustrate teams with his physicality and skill. Surin buzzes around the rink on his shifts, constantly on the prowl for the puck as he's not afraid of playing with a physical bite to his game by any means. Doesn't have a traditional power forward's body, but he rarely shies away from contact, willing to forecheck with reckless abandon and can play with soft skill in tight areas with the puck on his stick. Can be a bit of a headache to deal with due to his discipline, but engagement is never an issue with Surin.

NHL COMPARABLE: Sam Bennett



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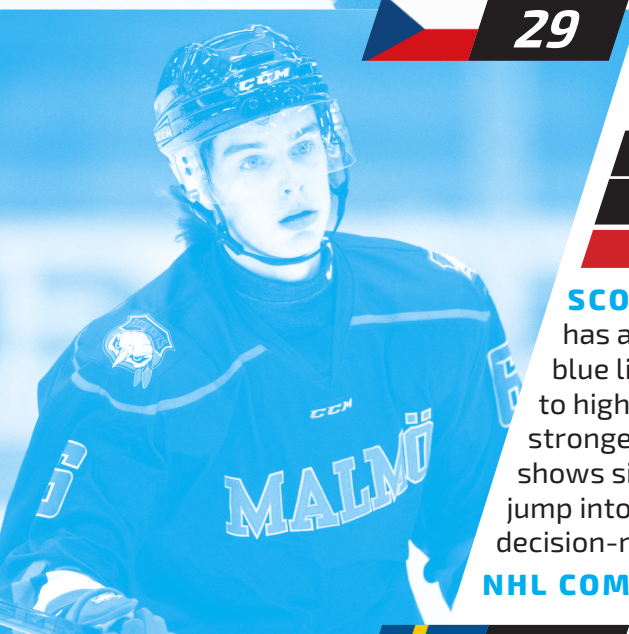
CHARLIE ELICK

DEFENSE • BRANDON WHEAT KINGS • WHL • 6'3" • 190 LBS • R
SEASON STATS: 65GP • 4G • 23A • 27P • 71PIM

SKATING	B+	PHYSICALITY	A	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C-	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B-
MIDDLE OF LINEUP PLAYER					

SCOUTING REPORT: A bruising shutdown defenseman who plays with size and physicality, fans of old school hockey are bound to like what Elick brings in the defensive zone. The selling point of Elick's game is his penchant for physical play and his mobility. He moves very well for a player his size, able to stick with attackers on the rush and control his gaps, picking his spots well to lay the body to separate players from the puck. He has a mean streak in front of his net and can clear the crease, and projects as a natural penalty killer. Has below average hands and lacks offensive upside, but brings his value in his own zone.

NHL COMPARABLE: Brandon Carlo



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DOMINIK BADINKA

DEFENSE • MALMÖ REDHAWKS • SHL • 6'3" • 190 LBS • R
SEASON STATS: 33GP • 1G • 3A • 4P • 6PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	B-
MIDDLE OF LINEUP PLAYER					

SCOUTING REPORT: A toolsy yet still raw two-way defenseman, Badinka has a intriguing pro package with multiple plus tools. Badinka is a mobile blue liner with a pro-ready frame, making him a natural candidate to translate to higher levels as he can defend in transition well and hold up against stronger competition. His offensive game is not dynamic, but it is efficient and shows signs of upside, with flashes of offensive creativity where he's willing to jump into the rush or join the attack from the offensive blue line. Still raw in his decision-making at times, but has upside as a mobile, all-situations defender.

NHL COMPARABLE: Brady Skjei



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ALFONS FREIJ

DEFENSE • VÄXJÖ HC J20 • J20 NATIONELL • 6'1" • 187 LBS • L
SEASON STATS: 40GP • 14G • 19A • 33P • 14PIM

SKATING	A-	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	B-
MIDDLE OF LINEUP PLAYER					

SCOUTING REPORT: A highly-mobile Swedish defenseman who shows promise as a potentially elite puck mover, Freij is among the best skaters available in this year's draft and it's his mobility that informs all phases of his game. Freij is an excellent puck mover who can skate the puck out of trouble with ease, and can use his agility and light feet to create space at the offensive blue line. He can spin away from pressure, pivot quickly and break ankles to open up shooting and passing lanes. Not as natural of a shooter as his goal totals would suggest, but he does a good job of getting his shots through and has PP2 upside.

NHL COMPARABLE: Samuel Girard

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LUCAS PETTERSSON

CENTER • MODO J20 • J20 NATIONELL • 5'11" • 172 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 44GP • 27G • 30A • 57P • 40PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	C	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-
MIDDLE OF LINEUP PLAYER					

SCOUTING REPORT: A fleet of foot and intelligent two-way center, Pettersson stands out as the best forward in this year's Swedish class due to his smarts and dual-threat offensive ability. Pettersson is not a dynamic attacker, but he's a remarkably efficient and intelligent offensive player whose consistent reads make the players around him better. He reads very well off his teammates, able to find them off the cycle or find soft areas of ice to make himself available as a shooting threat. A very steady 200-foot player whose defensive reads make him very projectable as a penalty killer at the next level.

NHL COMPARABLE: Mikael Backlund

 **32**

RYDER RITCHIE

RIGHT WING • PRINCE ALBERT RAIDERS • WHL • 6'0" • 174 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 47GP • 19G • 25A • 44P • 24PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B+	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	B-
MIDDLE OF LINEUP PLAYER					

SCOUTING REPORT: A crafty forward who may have the highest skill level at this stage of the draft, Ritchie is a talented on-puck player who can play in tight spaces and show flashes of advanced puck skills. When working at his best, Ritchie is an advanced creator who can attack with one-on-one skill, make creative plays through coverage, and bury pucks in the slot area with a quick, deceptive release on his shot. When Ritchie's on, he's a prominent offensive force, and it's just about finding that consistency on a nightly basis, as improvements in his skating and engagement will be his biggest developmental hurdles.

NHL COMPARABLE: Vincent Trocheck

 **33**

ADAM JIRICEK

DEFENSE • HC PLZEN • CZECHIA • 6'2" • 168 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 19GP • 0G • 1A • 1P • 2PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-
MIDDLE OF LINEUP PLAYER					

SCOUTING REPORT: The brother of 2022 top five selection David Jiricek, Adam is a toolsy two-way blue liner who is very raw at this stage in his development. Jiricek missed the overwhelming majority of this season due to injury, last stepping on the ice on December 26th, and was mired with inconsistent play at the Czech Extraliga level before then. The elevator pitch on Jiricek though comes from how toolsy and versatile he could be. He's a physical, aggressive defenseman who throws himself into the fray at both ends of the ice, showing flashes of skill and offensive capability that make him a worthy top four defensive project.

NHL COMPARABLE: Neal Pionk



34

EMIL HEMMING

RIGHT WING • TPS • LIIGA • 6'2" • 194 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 40GP • 7G • 4A • 11P • 0PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B+	PASSING	C+
MIDDLE OF LINEUP PLAYER					

SCOUTING REPORT: A scoring power forward who moves well for a player of his archetype, Hemming is a quick straight-line skater who can forecheck hard and get into areas to use his stocky frame. Hemming projects as a pro-level scorer with particular upside on the powerplay. He can score goals in multiple ways, whether it be with a heavy one-timer from the circles, a quick snap shot from the slot, or by heading to the goal mouth to make small area plays or bury rebounds. Hemming is a fairly basic playmaker who doesn't project as a high-end creator at the next level, but projects as a middle six scoring power forward.

NHL COMPARABLE: James van Riemsdyk


35

LEO SAHLIN WALLENIUS

DEFENSE • VÄXJÖ HC J20 • J20 NATIONELL • 5'11" • 168 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 43GP • 11G • 31A • 42P • 38PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B
MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE					

SCOUTING REPORT: A versatile puck-moving defenseman with offensive upside, Sahlin Wallenius is a smooth-skating Swede who plays a modern style two-way game. Sahlin Wallenius is a crisp all-directions skater, allowing him to contribute on both sides of the puck with his strong gap control and puck carrying ability. His frame will make his net front defense a natural obstacle at higher levels, but he's a fairly reliable positional defender who can get his stick into passing lanes to break up chances. Doesn't project as a top powerplay contributor at the NHL level, but sees the offensive zone well.

NHL COMPARABLE: Nick Leddy


36

LINUS ERIKSSON

CENTER • DJURGÅRDEN IF • ALLSVENSKAN • 6'0" • 185 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 29GP • 3G • 8A • 11P • 10PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B-
MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE					

SCOUTING REPORT: A highly-intelligent two-way center, Eriksson is able to make an impact on both sides of the puck due to his efficient game that's built on reads and timing. Eriksson is a quick skater who is not dynamically fast, but can move around the ice easily with good top end speed and has strong agility to his game to make quick pivots. Eriksson sees the ice incredibly well, able to see plays as they develop and understand how he fits into them, making him a natural defensive center as well as a playmaker on the offensive side of the puck with well-timed area passes and teammate utilization.

NHL COMPARABLE: Chandler Stephenson



37 **MATVEI GRIDIN**

RIGHT WING • MUSKEGON LUMBERJACKS • USHL • 6'1" • 185 LBS • L
SEASON STATS: 60GP • 38G • 45A • 83P • 51PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	B-

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: A stocky and skilled scoring winger who plays a strong north-south game, Gridin was a top scorer this year in the USHL for Muskegon with a whopping 38 goals and 83 points in 60 games. The University of Michigan commit is a goal scorer first and foremost, using his strong shot with a quick release to finish scoring chances. Gridin is a capable attacker off the rush with strong one-on-one skill and can improvise with teammates off the give and go to generate offense. Has work to do in his own end, but has enough offensive pop to his game to be a top nine, PP2 scorer.

NHL COMPARABLE: James Neal



38 **JESSE PULKKINEN** *OVERAGER D+1*

DEFENSE • JYP • LIIGA • 6'6" • 216 LBS • L
SEASON STATS: 29GP • 2G • 6A • 8P • 24PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	A	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: The top overage prospect in this draft, Pulkkinen is a towering Finnish blue liner with a deceptively strong skill game for a player his size. Pulkkinen is a tall and heavy 19-year-old defenseman, allowing him to not be phased by larger competition once he made the jump from U20 hockey to the professional level in Liiga. Pulkkinen is a very crafty and deceptive puck handler, bucking the typical stone-handed stereotype for large defensemen. He can use his reach and puck skills to step around checkers in the offensive zone, and will just need to find more consistency in his decision-making with the puck.

NHL COMPARABLE: Tyler Myers



39 **COLE BEAUDOIN**

CENTER • BARRIE COLTS • OHL • 6'2" • 201 LBS • L
SEASON STATS: 67GP • 28G • 34A • 62P • 27PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	A	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: A tenacious, high-motor power center, Beaudoin is a big two-way center who makes an impact on the ice by outworking and overpowering his opponents. Beaudoin is among the strongest players in this draft, rarely losing a puck or board battle and can fight into the hard areas of the ice to make himself available as a scoring option in front of the net. A surprisingly strong passer for a player of his archetype, he works well off of extended zone cycles with his teammates and can deliver pucks well to his linemates. Likely doesn't have the offensive ceiling to play in a top six, but projects as a top nine, penalty killing center.

NHL COMPARABLE: Blake Coleman



40

MAXIM MASSÉ

RIGHT WING • CHICOUTIMI SAGUENEENS • QMJHL • 6'1" • 181 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 67GP • 36G • 39A • 75P • 26PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	C+

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: Massé is a high-motor scoring winger who plays a projectable power game. Though Massé doesn't have a traditional power forward's frame, he's a strong tight spaces player who excels at retrieving pucks, battling for positioning around the goal mouth, and can protect and support pucks below the hashmarks. Massé profiles as a goal scorer at the next level, with a strong medium-range snap shot and a good nose for the net, though his overall creativity and playmaking game leaves room for improvement, lowering his overall offensive ceiling at the NHL level.

NHL COMPARABLE: Jake DeBrusk

41

ARON KIVIHARJU

DEFENSE • HIFK • LIIGA • 5'10" • 172 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 7GP • 1G • 1A • 2P • 0PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	C-	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	A-

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: A high-end puck moving defenseman who at one time was thought of as the potential number one prospect in this class, Kiviharju has fallen far from that throne but still offers an intriguing package of transitional tools. Kiviharju is just an okay skater for his size, but his puck-moving upside comes from how crisp he is as a passer. He's a very accurate passer who can make difficult stretch passes to teammates or find shooting options on the powerplay. Another player who missed a lot of time due to injury, but has the potential to be a top four puck mover from the back end.

NHL COMPARABLE: Kimmo Timonen

42

JOHN MUSTARD

LEFT WING • WATERLOO BLACK HAWKS • USHL • 6'0" • 185 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 60GP • 29G • 27A • 56P • 71PIM

SKATING	B+	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	C

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: Mustard is a speedy high-motor winger whose game is built upon his base of skating and pace. Mustard always keeps his feet moving while he's on the ice, seldomly opting to coast into plays and instead opting to charge in and get involved with his opponents. He's a natural forechecker who can close on opposing defensemen in a hurry and can get his stick on pucks to generate turnovers. Mustard excels offensively as a goal scorer rather than a distributor, using his motor to battle into contested areas and can generate fast break offense with flashes of breakaway speed.

NHL COMPARABLE: Kasper Kapanen



 **43**

HENRY MEWS

DEFENSE • OTTAWA 67'S • OHL • 6'0" • 185 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 65GP • 15G • 46A • 61P • 65PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: An offensive defenseman with a well-rounded attacking skill set. Mews is an offensive jack-of-all-trades who checks a lot of boxes that teams look for in a middle-of-lineup, PP2 specialist. Mews is a good skater who shows smoothness in his crossovers and make forwards miss at the offensive blue line, allowing him to open up shooting lanes and get the puck on net through traffic. Mews' offensive game is highlighted by his passing game, as he can send crisp stretch passes for quick strike offense or accurate in-zone passes to teammates, but will need to improve his play in his own zone.

NHL COMPARABLE: Andrei Markov



 **44**

RAOUL BOILARD

CENTER • BAIE-COMEAU DRAKKAR • QMJHL • 6'2" • 190 LBS • L

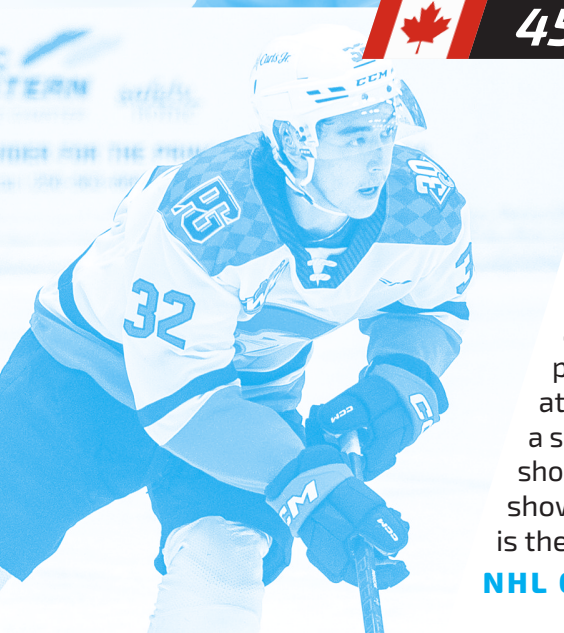
SEASON STATS: 68GP • 22G • 40A • 62P • 48PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: A highly-intelligent playmaking center who uses his vision and reads to make an impact in the offensive zone, Boilard plays a projectable playmaker's game with a skill set that's built upon his hockey IQ. Boilard is a skilled center with a pro style frame, able to handle the puck well and use his body to create space from defenders. His offensive zone vision is excellent, as he can look off defenders and find teammates in high-danger scoring areas, whether that be with a crisp pass to the slot or a tape-to-tape delivery through the seam on the powerplay. Not a dynamic attacker, but an efficient, heady hockey player.

NHL COMPARABLE: Stephen Weiss



 **45**

TERIK PARASCAC

RIGHT WING • PRINCE GEORGE COUGARS • WHL • 5'11" • 179 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 68GP • 43G • 62A • 105P • 41PIM

SKATING	D+	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	B

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: Parascak is a smart goal-scoring winger who was among the WHLers top scorers this year, posting a gaudy total of 43 goals and 105 points in just 68 games for Prince George. Parascak is one of the best in the draft at finding soft areas of ice to slip behind coverage and make himself available as a scoring option, showing even Hyman-esque moments on the back post. Parascak shoots the puck well and can beat netminders with a quick release on his shot, and shows flashes of high-end playmaking as well with well-timed passes. Skating is the big obstacle for Parascak, as he's a clunky, awkward skater at the moment.

NHL COMPARABLE: Tyler Toffoli



46

NOEL FRANSÉN

DEFENSE • FÄRJESTAD J20 • J20 NATIONELL • 6'0" • 183 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 45GP • 20G • 24A • 44P • 16PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: A mobile offensive defenseman who is constantly looking to join the attack, Fransén was a highly-productive at the Swedish junior level this year due to his blend of skating, skill, and offensive aggression. Fransén rarely passes up an opportunity to transition the puck and join the attack on the rush, able to get up and down the rink easily with his skating and work with his teammates well to open up attacking lanes. Fransén will need to improve his defensive play and iron out some inconsistencies in his decision-making, but he's an active attacking defender who drives possession.

NHL COMPARABLE: Alex Goligoski

47

JUSTIN POIRIER

RIGHT WING • BAIE-COMEAU DRAKKAR • QMJHL • 5'8" • 181 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 68GP • 51G • 31A • 82P • 68PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	D	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	A-	PASSING	B-

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: Poirier is a pocket-sized sniper who torched the QMJHL this year with a 51-goal campaign for Baie-Comeau. Poirier is a pin-point shooter who can pick his spot with the best of them with a quick release and multiple release points in his arsenal, making him a potent medium-range shooter. Poirier also plays with skill and intelligence, able to weave through coverage with possession of the puck or read off his teammates to get into shooting positions. Moves decently for a player his size, and the question will be whether or not his skating or smarts will be able to carry him through to higher levels at his size.

NHL COMPARABLE: Mike Hoffman

48

LUKE MISA

LEFT WING / CENTER • MISSISSAUGA • OHL • 5'10" • 165 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 66GP • 26G • 55A • 81P • 8PIM

SKATING	A-	PHYSICALITY	D+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: A speedy, fleet of foot forward who is constantly looking to stretch the ice and beat opponents with his feet, Misa is among the fastest players available in this year's draft. Misa is aware that his speed and mobility are his biggest weapons on the offensive side of the puck, opting to beat defenders with speed and pace rather than pure skill as he can burn down the wing on defenders and catch them in transition. Misa has a high motor and works hard on the forecheck to generate turnovers; leaves something to be desired in terms of creativity, but can work his way into advantageous positions due to his skating.

NHL COMPARABLE: Jason Zucker



 **49**

DEAN LETOURNEAU

CENTER • ST. ANDREW'S COLLEGE • CAHS • 6'7" • 209 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 56GP • 61G • 66A • 127P • 74PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	A	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: One of this draft's most fascinating projects, Letourneau is a massive 6-foot-7 center who plays with a tantalizing amount of skill for a player his size. Letourneau was quite literally a man amongst boys this year for St. Andrew's, dominating smaller and younger competition with a staggering 61 goals and 127 points. He can stick handle around opponents and cradle the puck with his reach, able to play keepaway with the puck when he puts his frame between the puck and defenders. His limited USHL sample was uninspiring, leaving me with some concerns whether he has the offensive smarts for higher levels of hockey.

NHL COMPARABLE: Nik Antropov



 **50**

COLE HUTSON

DEFENSE • USNTDP U18 • NTDP • 5'10" • 159 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 47GP • 13G • 30A • 43P • 46PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	D	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B+

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: A shifty and elusive playmaking defenseman, Cole Hutson shares some traits with his brother Lane, a standout draft pick of the Montreal Canadiens. Hutson is an undersized defenseman with above average skating, he's more agile than he is fast in a straight line and use his edgework to open up passing and shooting lanes from the top of the offensive zone. Hutson, like his brother, sees the ice so well in the offensive zone, able to quickly identify passing lanes and can deliver pucks through them effortlessly with crisp, tape-to-tape passes. Projects as a powerplay specialist at the next level.

NHL COMPARABLE: Mark Streit



 **51**

MAREK VANACKER

LEFT WING • BRANTFORD BULLDOGS • OHL • 6'0" • 165 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 68GP • 36G • 46A • 82P • 55PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-

MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE

SCOUTING REPORT: A jack-of-all-trades, master-of-none type winger, Vanacker's overall game is more than the sum of its parts as he's become a top junior producer in Brantford this year with 36 goals and 82 points in 68 games. Vanacker's tools grade out as good to above average across the board, with a very well-rounded and versatile style of game that allow him to blend into whatever is needed of him. He's a good puck handler who can make plays in tight and is a good straight line skater, allowing him to play in transition and put pressure on defenses on the forecheck. Likely a complimentary piece, but could be much more with proper development.

NHL COMPARABLE: Tomas Tatar



 **52**

TOMAS MRSIC

CENTER / RIGHT WING • MEDICINE HAT • WHL • 6'0" • 170 LBS • L
SEASON STATS: 63GP • 23G • 39A • 62P • 32PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B+	PASSING	B-
MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE					

SCOUTING REPORT: A toolsy forward with room to grow, Mrsic is an intriguing blend of plus attributes including smooth skating, good skill, and an underrated high-end shot. Mrsic can get lost in the shuffle a bit next to his Medicine Hat teammates Lindstrom and Basha, but Mrsic is a legitimate top nine NHL prospect in his own right. Mrsic is a dual-threat forward who can play in tight spaces and can bury chances when they're presented to him with a quick, snappy release on his shot. Sees the ice well and can find teammates with soft passes, and will just need to find more consistency in his game moving forward.

NHL COMPARABLE: Bryan Little



 **53**

SPENCER GILL

DEFENSE • RIMOUSKI OCEANIC • QMJHL • 6'3" • 179 LBS • R
SEASON STATS: 65GP • 12G • 34A • 46P • 62PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-
MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE					

SCOUTING REPORT: A big, imposing, physical defender with surprising offensive tools, Gill is one of the most intriguing upside picks on the backend at this stage of the draft. Gill's biggest point of contention is in his skating, as he's an average-at-best skater who can get by at the junior level, but will likely need to get smoother and quicker for higher levels of play. Outside of his skating, the tools all grade out well, with good hands for a big man and a surprisingly natural offensive touch. He's an efficient offensive contributor who makes smart plays with the puck, and is a physical, hard-nosed presence in his own zone.

NHL COMPARABLE: Jeff Petry



 **54**

MIGUEL MARQUES

RIGHT WING • LETHBRIDGE HURRICANES • WHL • 5'11" • 172 LBS • R
SEASON STATS: 67GP • 28G • 46A • 74P • 57PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B
MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE					

SCOUTING REPORT: A skilled but inconsistent winger, Marques' offensive tools are easy to love and it will just be about consistently pulling the same effort out of him night after night. Marques' skating profiles as roughly average as he lacks a true separating gear, but his puck skills allow him to have a dynamic flash to his game when he's operating at his best. He's a crafty puck handler who can beat defenders with one-on-one skill, handle in close quarters and finish around the goal mouth. Marques sees the ice well as displays high-end playmaking habits with crisp passing and good reads.

NHL COMPARABLE: Jason Pominville



 **55**

TANNER HOWE

LEFT WING • REGINA PATS • WHL • 5'11" • 181 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 68GP • 28G • 49A • 77P • 77PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-
MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE					

SCOUTING REPORT: A high-energy winger whose motor allows him to play bigger than his frame, Howe is a direct player who charges to contested areas to contribute in the offensive zone. A former junior linemate of Connor Bedard, Howe has been a productive junior player to this point, with a collection of above average offensive tools that he makes the most of with his competitiveness. Howe I find lacks a true dynamic gear and I think will fit best as a complementary piece, but he's a good shooter and can beat netminders from range on occasion, and it's impossible to teach that motor that he has.

NHL COMPARABLE: Brendan Gallagher



 **56**

KAMIL BEDNARIK

CENTER • USNTDP U18 • NTDP • 6'0" • 185 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 57GP • 25G • 38A • 63P • 50PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-
MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE					

SCOUTING REPORT: Bednarik is a sturdy two-way center whose 200-foot game is informed by his intelligence and sound reads at both ends of the ice. Bednarik is not a dynamic or potent offensive force, but what he is is highly-efficient. Bednarik's a high-end facilitator for puck possession, meaning he makes great reads off his teammates to prolong offensive zone possession and make the players around him better. Bednarik defends well with good in-zone commitment, can win faceoffs, and backchecks well, making the projection as a penalty killer easy to make. Likely won't be a top producer in pro hockey, but projects as a reliable pro.

NHL COMPARABLE: Travis Zajac



 **57**

BEN DANFORD

DEFENSE • OSHAWA GENERALS • OHL • 6'0" • 176 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 64GP • 1G • 32A • 33P • 25PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	C-	PASSING	B-
MIDDLE / BOTTOM OF LINEUP BUBBLE					

SCOUTING REPORT: One of the best pure defensive players in this class, Danford's frame does not fit what you would expect from a top flight shutdown defenseman, rather using his smarts and positioning to defend and play with physicality. Danford not being 6-foot-3 does not mean he's incapable of playing with strength and physicality, as he's already a sturdy player at his current stature and can stand up players in transition or hold position in front of his own net. Danford moves well and controls his gaps very well, and has an active defensive stick that he uses to break up plays.

NHL COMPARABLE: John Marino

**58****JULIUS MIETTINEN**

CENTER • EVERETT SILVERTIPS • WHL • 6'3" • 207 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 66GP • 31G • 36A • 67P • 32PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	A-	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER

SCOUTING REPORT: A big-bodied power center who plays the game with efficiency and physicality, Miettinen is a smart forward who already plays the game with pro details and habits. Despite being over a point-per-game player this year for Everett, I don't find Miettinen to be a true offensive player at the next level, but what I do see is a very projectable pro who should be able to hold down a bottom six role in the NHL with ease. He plays a mature style of game, supporting pucks at both ends of the ice and can work off the cycle with his linemates, and can get on the scoresheet by forcing his way into dirty areas.

NHL COMPARABLE: Boone Jenner**59****SAM O'REILLY**

CENTER / RIGHT WING • LONDON KNIGHTS • OHL • 6'1" • 176 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 68GP • 20G • 36A • 56P • PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	B-

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER

SCOUTING REPORT: A hard-working two-way forward who filled his role in London this year perfectly, O'Reilly is likely to go much higher than this slot due to his high-motor game that teams are bound to love. O'Reilly is a capable offensive player at the junior level, but without high-end skill or shot he likely projects as a bottom six energy forward, though he may provide surplus value in that role as a special teams contributor. He's a valuable asset on the defensive puck, using his competitiveness to win back possession of the puck and he reads the ice well to put himself in position to make plays.

NHL COMPARABLE: John Madden**60****ADAM KLEBER**

DEFENSE • LINCOLN STARS • USHL • 6'5" • 203 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 56GP • 5G • 21A • 26P • 26PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	A	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C-	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	C+

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER

SCOUTING REPORT: A mobile, big-bodied right-shot defenseman that NHL clubs are likely to value highly, Kleber is a physical, imposing presence in his own zone and projects as a top penalty killing defenseman. Kleber offensive game is lacking and doesn't project to carry through to higher levels of hockey, but two tools are likely to carry him to professional opportunities: his skating and physicality. Kleber moves very well for a player his size, with a surprising fluidity to his stride that allows him to have a very rangy style of game when combined with his long reach. Lays the body, clears the crease, and is willing to block shots.

NHL COMPARABLE: Brayden McNabb



61

HARRISON BRUNICKE

DEFENSE • KAMLOOPS BLAZERS • WHL • 6'3" • 187 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 49GP • 10G • 11A • 21P • 47PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	C+

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER

SCOUTING REPORT: A big and mobile puck moving defenseman, Brunicke is set to become the first South African-born NHL draft pick and he achieved his status as a pro-level prospect due to his blend of unique skills. Brunicke is a toolsy defenseman who skates well for his size and can transition pucks with his legs, using smooth crossovers to build speed. Brunicke is a natural defensive player who controls his gaps well, isn't afraid to put his body between the puck and opponents, and makes consistent reads in his own zone. Likely won't be an offensive contributor at the next level, but projects as a bottom half of lineup penalty killer.

NHL COMPARABLE: Dylan DeMelo



62

TARIN SMITH

DEFENSE • EVERETT SILVERTIPS • WHL • 6'1" • 176 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 67GP • 8G • 36A • 44P • 66PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	B+	PASSING	B

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER

SCOUTING REPORT: A high-event, entertaining two-way defenseman, Smith is an offensive-leaning two-way defender who can dazzle with flashes of high-end skill and creativity. When working at his best, Smith is a flashy puck handler who can beat checks at the top of the offensive zone with a variety of moves, using spins or quick crossovers to evade pressure and open up options. The big work for Smith to do is in cleaning up his inconsistencies and decision-making, as he can be a downright reckless player at times, but I believe he has upside as a defender due to an underrated tenacity to his game.

NHL COMPARABLE: James Wisniewski



63

SIMON ZETHER

CENTER • RÖGLE BK J20 • J20 NATIONELL • 6'3" • 187 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 18GP • 11G • 16A • 27P • 25PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER

SCOUTING REPORT: A rangy and crafty playmaking center, Zether is a big center who uses his frame and skill to make plays in the offensive zone. The biggest area for concern with Zether is his feet, as he's an average skater at best; his top speed is mediocre, causing him to backpressure when handling the puck, but his agility still allows him to get out of trouble with quick cuts. Zether is a smooth puck cradler who can hold pucks away from his body with his reach, and he sees the ice very well in the offensive zone, able to look off defenders and find teammates with soft passes. A natural puck protector and can play in hard areas.

NHL COMPARABLE: Lars Eller



64

TOMAS GALVASDEFENSE • BÍLÍ TYGRŮ LIBEREC • CZECHIA • 5'10" • 148 LBS • L
SEASON STATS: 32GP • 2G • 5A • 7P • 8PIM

SKATING	A-	PHYSICALITY	D-	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	B-

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER

SCOUTING REPORT: One of the most mobile players in this draft class, Galvas is a light, smooth-skating defenseman who projects as a bottom pair puck-moving defenseman. The selling point in Galvas' game is how quick he is, he's a near-dynamic skater who can get himself out of trouble with his legs. He has smooth crossovers, can make quick, tight pivots, and owns good top end speed, which is a must for him to be able to play at his size. Galvas is a reliable offensive player, making good reads and can deliver crisp accurate passes. Will need to put on a ton of strength, as he's currently the lightest player in the draft.

NHL COMPARABLE: Matt Grzelcyk

65

AJ SPELLACYRIGHT WING • WINDSOR SPITFIRES • OHL • 6'2" • 195 LBS • R
SEASON STATS: 67GP • 21G • 17A • 38P • 59PIM

SKATING	B+	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	C
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	C

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER



66

BRODIE ZIEMERRIGHT WING / CENTER • USNTDP U18 • NTDP • 5'11" • 192 LBS • R
SEASON STATS: 57GP • 24G • 36A • 60P • 16PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	C+

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER



67

ADAM JECHORIGHT WING • EDMONTON OIL KINGS • WHL • 6'5" • 201 LBS • R
SEASON STATS: 54GP • 23G • 24A • 47P • 24PIM

SKATING	C-	PHYSICALITY	A-	SENSES	C
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	C+

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER



68

CLARKE CASWELLLEFT WING • SWIFT CURRENT BRONCOS • WHL • 5'11" • 176 LBS • L
SEASON STATS: 68GP • 26G • 51A • 77P • 20PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	B

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER



69

MATVEI SHURAVIN

DEFENSE • KRASNAYA ARMIYA MOSKVA • MHL • 6'2" • 172 LBS • L
SEASON STATS: 22GP • 0G • 7A • 7P • 26PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	C-	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	B-

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER



70

LEON MUGGLI

DEFENSE • EV ZUG • NL • 6'0" • 176 LBS • L
SEASON STATS: 42GP • 3G • 9A • 12P • 18PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B-

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER



71

ALEXANDER ZETTERBERG

CENTER / RIGHT WING • ÖREBRO J20 • J20 NATIONELL • 5'8" • 159 LBS • R
SEASON STATS: 45GP • 21G • 37A • 58P • 16PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	D-	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER



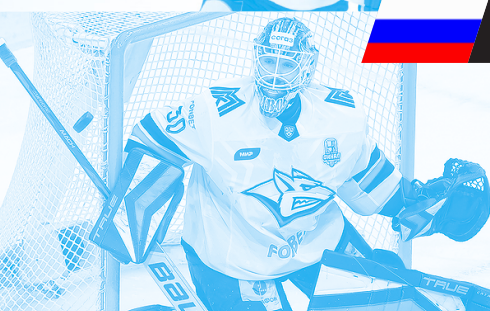
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MELVIN FERNSTRÖM

LEFT WING / RIGHT WING • ÖREBRO J20 • J20 NATIONELL • 6'1" • 187 LBS • R
SEASON STATS: 45GP • 31G • 32A • 63P • 28PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	C	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	B

BOTTOM OF LINEUP PLAYER



73

ILYA NABOKOV *OVERAGER D+3*

GOALTENDER • METALLURG MAGNITOGORSK • KHL • 6'1" • 179 LBS • L
SEASON STATS: 43GP • 2.15 GAA • .930 SV%

HIGH	B-	ATHLETICISM	C+	SENSES	B
LOW	B-	SIZE	C+	POSITIONING	B

MID-ROUND PROSPECT



74

PAVEL MOYSEVICH *OVERAGER D+1*

GOALTENDER • SKA-NEVA ST. PETERSBURG • KHL • 6'5" • 176 LBS • L
SEASON STATS: 19GP • 2.31 GAA • .927 SV%

HIGH	C+	ATHLETICISM	B-	SENSES	B-
LOW	B-	SIZE	B	POSITIONING	B-

MID-ROUND PROSPECT



 **75**

JACK PRIDHAM

RIGHT WING • WEST KELOWNA WARRIORS • BCHL • 6'2" • 174 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 54GP • 23G • 26A • 49P • 30PIM

SKATING	A-	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	C+
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



 **76**

RYERSON LEENDERS

GOALTENDER • MISSISSAUGA STEELHEADS • OHL • 6'2" • 179 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 46GP • 3.12 GAA • .909 SV%

HIGH	B-	ATHLETICISM	B-	SENSES	C+
LOW	B-	SIZE	B-	POSITIONING	B-
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



 **77**

LUKAS FISCHER

DEFENSE • SARNIA STING • OHL • 6'4" • 181 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 68GP • 6G • 28A • 34P • 79PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	C-	PASSING	B-
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



 **78**

CARSON WETSCH

CENTER / RIGHT WING • CALGARY HITMEN • WHL • 6'2" • 201 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 67GP • 25G • 25A • 50P • 89PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	C
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



 **79**

LUCA MARRELLI

DEFENSE • OSHAWA GENERALS • OHL • 6'2" • 179 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 67GP • 6G • 51A • 57P • 16PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B-
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



 **80**

DANIIL USTINKOV

DEFENSE • ZÜRICH • NL • 6'1" • 201 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 18GP • 0G • 1A • 1P • 0PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	B-
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



81

EEMIL VINNI

GOALTENDER • JOKP • MESTIS • 6'2" • 185 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 37GP • 2.72 GAA • .892 SV%

HIGH	C+	ATHLETICISM	C+	SENSES	C
LOW	B	SIZE	B-	POSITIONING	B
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



82

KEVIN HE

LEFT WING • NIAGARA ICEDOGS • OHL • 6'0" • 183 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 64GP • 31G • 22A • 53P • 66PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	C
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



83

ANTHONY ROMANI *OVERAGER D+1*

RIGHT WING • NORTH BAY BATTALION • OHL • 6'0" • 179 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 68GP • 58G • 53A • 111P • 20PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	C	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	B
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



84

NATHAN VILLENEUVE

CENTER • SUDBURY WOLVES • OHL • 6'0" • 183 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 56GP • 23G • 27A • 50P • 58PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	C+
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



85

RILEY PATTERSON

RIGHT WING • BARRIE COLTS • OHL • 6'0" • 192 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 68GP • 29G • 33A • 62P • 10PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	C+
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



86

COLIN RALPH

DEFENSE • SHATTUCK ST. MARY'S • USHS • 6'4" • 227 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 57GP • 8G • 58A • 66P • 30PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	A-	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	C-	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	C+
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					

**87****WILLIAM ZELLERS**

WING / CENTER · SHATTUCK ST. MARY'S · USHS · 5'11" · 165 LBS · L

SEASON STATS: 54GP · 57G · 54A · 111P · 26PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	C-	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	C+
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					

**88****MAX PLANTE**

RIGHT WING / CENTER · USNTDP U18 · NTDP · 5'10" · 160 LBS · L

SEASON STATS: 47GP · 13G · 43A · 56P · 16PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	C	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	D+	PASSING	B+
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					

**89****EVAN GARDNER**

GOALTENDER · SASKATOON BLADES · WHL · 6'2" · 174 LBS · L

SEASON STATS: 30GP · 1.91 GAA · .927 SV%

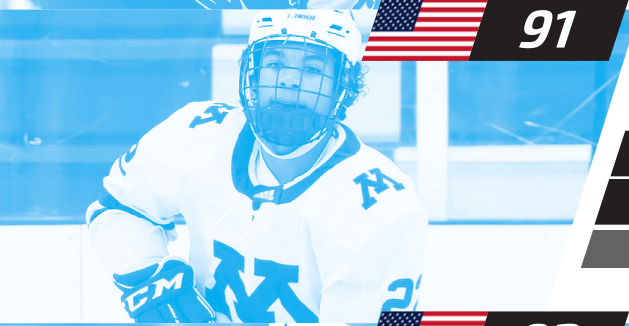
HIGH	C+	ATHLETICISM	C+	SENSES	B
LOW	B-	SIZE	B-	POSITIONING	B-
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					

**90****ERIKS MATEIKO**

LEFT WING · SAINT JOHN SEA DOGS · QMJHL · 6'5" · 209 LBS · L

SEASON STATS: 49GP · 23G · 20A · 43P · 20PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	C+
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					

**91****JAVON MOORE**

LEFT WING · MINNETONKA HIGH · USHS · 6'2" · 181 LBS · L

SEASON STATS: 28GP · 26G · 27A · 53P · 2PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					

**92****CHRISTIAN HUMPHREYS**

CENTER / RIGHT WING · USNTDP U18 · NTDP · 5'11" · 170 LBS · R

SEASON STATS: 48GP · 21G · 34A · 55P · 22PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



93

MAXMILIAN CURRAN

CENTER • TRI-CITY AMERICANS • WHL • 6'3" • 190 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 40GP • 5G • 27A • 32P • 25PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	C-	PASSING	B
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



94

WILL SKAHAN

DEFENSE • USNTDP U18 • NTDP • 6'4" • 212 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 56GP • 4G • 8A • 12P • 71PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	A	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	C+
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



95

BENJAMIN POITRAS *OVERAGER D+1*

CENTER • GREEN BAY GAMBLERS • USHL • 5'11" • 181 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 51GP • 20G • 33A • 53P • 54PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



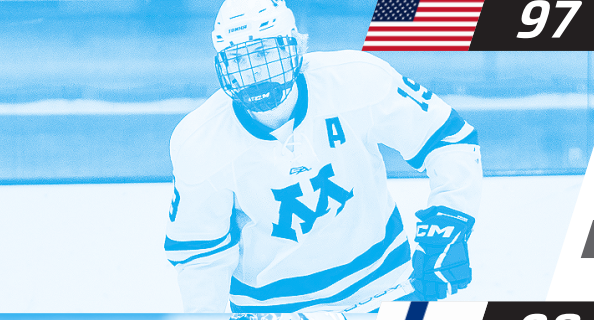
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FEDOR AVRAMOV

LEFT WING • KAPITAN STUPINO • MHL • 6'3" • 190 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 49GP • 23G • 21A • 44P • 22PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B+	PASSING	C+
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



97

HAGEN BURROWS

WING / CENTER • MINNETONKA HIGH • USHS • 6'2" • 165 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 28GP • 19G • 40A • 59P • 18PIM

SKATING	D+	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



98

TOPIAS HYNNINEN

LEFT WING / CENTER • JUKURIT • LIIGA • 5'10" • 170 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 43GP • 1G • 8A • 9P • 6PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	C	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	C-	PASSING	B
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					

**99****TORY PITNER**

DEFENSE • YOUNGSTOWN PHANTOMS • USHL • 6'1" • 183 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 50GP • 8G • 16A • 24P • 56PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B-
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					

**100****CARTER GEORGE**

GOALTENDER • OWEN SOUND ATTACK • OHL • 6'1" • 185 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 56GP • 3.30 GAA • .907 SV%

HIGH	B-	ATHLETICISM	B	SENSES	C
LOW	C+	SIZE	C+	POSITIONING	B
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					

**101****DANIEL NIEMINEN**

DEFENSE • PELICANS U20 • U20 SM-SARJA • 6'0" • 176 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 37GP • 8G • 21A • 29P • 51PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	C	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B-
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					

**102****HEIKKI RUOHONEN**

CENTER • KIEKKO-ESPOO U20 • U20 SM-SARJA • 6'1" • 196 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 0GP • 0G • 0A • 0P • 0PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B-
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					

**103****OLLIE JOSEPHSON**

CENTER • RED DEER REBELS • WHL • 6'0" • 181 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 68GP • 12G • 35A • 47P • 25PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	C+
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					

**104****VEETI VÄISÄNEN**

DEFENSE • KOOKOO • LIIGA • 6'0" • 179 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 50GP • 2G • 8A • 10P • 12PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	C+
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



 **105**

JACOB BATTAGLIA

RIGHT WING • KINGSTON FRONTENACS • OHL • 6'0" • 205 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 67GP • 31G • 34A • 65P • 34PIM

SKATING	D	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



 **106**

MIKHAIL YEGOROV

GOALTENDER • OMAHA LANCERS • USHL • 6'4" • 187 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 43GP • 3.86 GAA • .892 SV%

HIGH	C	ATHLETICISM	C+	SENSES	C
LOW	B	SIZE	A-	POSITIONING	B-
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



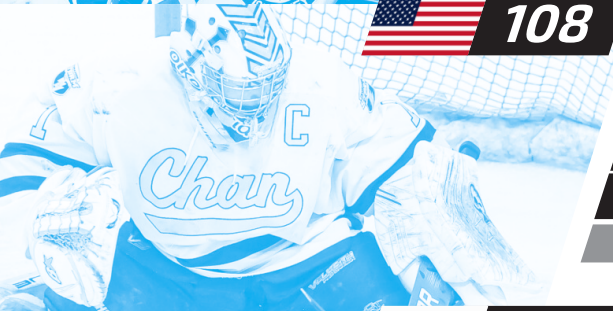
 **107**

MARCUS GIDLÖF

GOALTENDER • LEKSANDS J20 • J20 NATIONELL • 6'6" • 212 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 26GP • 2.22 GAA • .923 SV%

HIGH	C	ATHLETICISM	C-	SENSES	C
LOW	B	SIZE	A	POSITIONING	B
MID-ROUND PROSPECT					



 **108**

KAM HENDRICKSON

GOALTENDER • CHANHASSEN HIGH • USHS • 6'2" • 185 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 29GP • 1.01 GAA • .951 SV%

HIGH	B+	ATHLETICISM	B-	SENSES	C+
LOW	C+	SIZE	C+	POSITIONING	C
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					



 **109**

YEGOR GRAF

CENTER • SKA-1946 ST. PETERSBURG • MHL • 5'11" • 161 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 39GP • 13G • 25A • 38P • 12PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	D	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B	SHOOTING	C-	PASSING	B
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					



 **110**

OSKAR VUOLLET

CENTER • SKELLEFTEÅ J20 • J20 NATIONELL • 5'11" • 181 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 41GP • 29G • 32A • 61P • 6PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	D+	SENSES	B
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	B-
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					

**111****COLTON ROBERTS**

DEFENSE • VANCOUVER GIANTS • WHL • 6'4" • 194 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 62GP • 7G • 20A • 27P • 49PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	C
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	C+
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					

**112****KIRILL ZARUBIN**

GOALTENDER • AKM TULA • MHL • 6'4" • 179 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 45GP • 2.81 GAA • .927 SV%

HIGH	C	ATHLETICISM	C	SENSES	C+
LOW	B-	SIZE	B+	POSITIONING	B-
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					

**113****ONDREJ BECHER** *OVERAGER D+2*

CENTER / WING • PRINCE GEORGE COUGARS • WHL • 6'0" • 172 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 58GP • 32G • 64A • 96P • 48PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					

**114****SEBASTIAN SOINI**

DEFENSE • ILVES U20 • U20 SM-SARJA • 6'1" • 179 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 10GP • 0G • 2A • 2P • 8PIM

SKATING	B	PHYSICALITY	B-	SENSES	C
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	C+
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					

**115****LOUKA CLOUTIER**

GOALTENDER • CHICAGO STEEL • USHL • 6'2" • 168 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 34GP • 3.68 GAA • .904 SV%

HIGH	C-	ATHLETICISM	C+	SENSES	B-
LOW	B	SIZE	B-	POSITIONING	C+
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					

**116****HERMAN TRÄFF**

RIGHT WING • HV71 J20 • J20 NATIONELL • 6'3" • 203 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 26GP • 13G • 8A • 21P • 73PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	C
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	C
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					



117

BENJAMIN RAUTIAINEN *OVERAGER D+1*

LEFT WING • TAPPARA U20 • U20 SM-SARJA • 6'0" • 174 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 36GP • 29G • 33A • 62P • 49PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	C	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	B-

LATE-ROUND PROSPECT



118

ANTHONY CRISTOFORO

DEFENSE • WINDSOR SPITFIRES • OHL • 5'11" • 181 LBS • R

SEASON STATS: 67GP • 7G • 31A • 38P • 29PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	C	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	B-

LATE-ROUND PROSPECT



119

AUSTIN BURNEVIK *OVERAGER D+1*

RIGHT WING • MADISON CAPITALS • USHL • 6'4" • 201 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 61GP • 40G • 31A • 71P • 24PIM

SKATING	D-	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	B-

LATE-ROUND PROSPECT



120

DANIIL ANATSKY

CENTER • SKA-YUNIOR KRASNOGORSK • MHL • 6'3" • 214 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 41GP • 18G • 25A • 43P • 42PIM

SKATING	D	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B

LATE-ROUND PROSPECT



121

ILYA PROTAS

CENTER / WING • DES MOINES BUCCANEERS • USHL • 6'3" • 183 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 61GP • 14G • 37A • 51P • 14PIM

SKATING	D	PHYSICALITY	B+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	C+	PASSING	B

LATE-ROUND PROSPECT



122

PETTERI RIMPINEN

GOALTENDER • KIEKKO-ESPOO • MESTIS • 6'0" • 176 LBS • L

SEASON STATS: 14GP • 1.94 GAA • .925 SV%

HIGH	C+	ATHLETICISM	B-	SENSES	B
LOW	C+	SIZE	C-	POSITIONING	B-

LATE-ROUND PROSPECT

**123****ERIC BÜRGER**DEFENSE • ÖREBRO J20 • J20 NATIONELL • 6'0" • 181 LBS • L
SEASON STATS: 46GP • 7G • 19A • 26P • 51PIM

SKATING	B-	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	C+
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					

**124****JACK BERGLUND**CENTER • FÄRJESTAD J20 • J20 NATIONELL • 6'2" • 207 LBS • L
SEASON STATS: 41GP • 15G • 19A • 34P • 20PIM

SKATING	C-	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	C+
PUCK SKILLS	C	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	C+
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					

**125****ALEXIS BERNIER**DEFENSE • BAIE-COMEAU DRAKKAR • QMJHL • 6'1" • 189 LBS • R
SEASON STATS: 67GP • 4G • 27A • 31P • 56PIM

SKATING	C+	PHYSICALITY	B	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C-	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	C+
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					

**126****BRAYDON MCCALLUM**CENTER / RIGHT WING • PETERBOROUGH PETES • OHL • 6'2" • 181 LBS • R
SEASON STATS: 62GP • 18G • 23A • 41P • 128PIM

SKATING	C-	PHYSICALITY	A	SENSES	C
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B-	PASSING	C+
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					

**127****MAC SWANSON**LEFT WING / CENTER • FARGO FORCE • USHL • 5'7" • 157 LBS • L
SEASON STATS: 55GP • 26G • 51A • 77P • 6PIM

SKATING	C	PHYSICALITY	F	SENSES	B+
PUCK SKILLS	B-	SHOOTING	C	PASSING	B+
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					

**128****AATOS KOIVU**CENTER • TPS U20 • U20 SM-SARJA • 6'1" • 165 LBS • R
SEASON STATS: 28GP • 16G • 15A • 31P • 32PIM

SKATING	C-	PHYSICALITY	C+	SENSES	B-
PUCK SKILLS	C+	SHOOTING	B	PASSING	B-
LATE-ROUND PROSPECT					

Player	Pos	Team	League	HT	WT	H	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Owen Allard D+2	C	Soo Greyhounds	OHL	6'2"	201	L	55	18	26	44	39
Alexandre Blais	LW	Rimouski Oceanic	QMJHL	5'10"	154	L	68	24	60	84	40
Gabriel Eliasson	D	HV71 J20	SWE-J20	6'7"	205	L	36	1	5	6	103
Dmitri Gamzin D+3	G	CSKA Moskva	KHL	6'3"	174	L	13	1.98	.937	-	-
Patrick Geary D+2	D	Michigan State	NCAA	6'1"	185	L	32	5	8	13	30
Hiroki Gojsic	RW	Kelowna Rockets	WHL	6'3"	187	R	68	21	29	50	51
Gavin Hodnett	LW	Edmonton Oil Kings	WHL	5'8"	159	L	61	23	47	70	20
Miroslav Holinka	C/RW	Ocelari Trinec U20	CZE-U20	6'1"	183	R	29	20	21	41	14
Mitja Jokinen	D	TPS U20	FIN-U20	5'11"	168	L	41	6	15	21	6
Marcus Kearsey	D	Charlottetown	QMJHL	5'11"	172	L	68	7	42	49	20
Ondrej Kos	LW	KOOVEE	Mestis	6'1"	154	L	14	3	2	5	8
Andrei Krutov	LW/RW	Nizhny Novgorod	MHL	5'11"	174	L	41	21	29	50	58
Felix Lacerte	C/RW	Shawinigan	QMJHL	5'10"	168	R	52	31	28	59	51
Tomas Lavoie	D	Cape Breton Eagles	QMJHL	6'4"	225	R	65	3	21	24	24
Lukáš Matěcha D+1	G	Tri-City Americans	WHL	6'3"	187	L	35	3.42	.901	-	-
Harrison Meneghin D+1	G	Lethbridge	WHL	6'3"	170	L	53	2.59	.919	-	-
Blake Montgomery D+1	LW	Lincoln Stars	USHL	6'4"	181	L	58	22	21	43	43
Niilopekka Muhonen	D	KalPa U20	FIN-U20	6'4"	185	L	27	4	7	11	43
Niklas Nykyri	D	HIFK U20	FIN-U20	6'2"	190	L	43	3	16	19	26
Luke Osburn	D	Youngstown	USHL	6'0"	172	L	60	8	15	23	36
Veit Oswald D+2	LW	EHC München	DEL	6'2"	179	L	38	10	7	17	0
Ilya Pautov	RW	Kranaya Armiya Moskva	MHL	5'10"	165	L	46	15	30	45	14
Kasper Pikkarainen	RW	TPS U20	FIN-U20	6'3"	198	R	34	12	16	28	28
Ethan Proczszyn	RW	North Bay	OHL	6'2"	181	R	62	15	21	36	67
Mathis Rousseau D+2	G	Halifax	QMJHL	5'11"	172	L	44	2.27	.925	-	-
Artyom Shchuchinov	D	Traktor Chelyabinsk	KHL	5'11"	154	L	54	1	4	5	6
Alexander Siryatsky	D	Stalnye Magnitogorsk	MHL	6'2"	159	L	36	5	14	19	18
Jan Spunar D+2	G	Portland Winterhawks	WHL	6'3"	198	L	35	2.12	.913	-	-
Tuomas Suoniemi	C	Kiekko-Espoo U20	FIN-U20	5'10"	161	L	29	8	18	26	2
Darels Uljanskis	D	AIK J20	SWE-J20	6'2"	192	L	45	11	18	29	20
Petter Vesterheim D+1	C	Mora IK	SWE-2	5'11"	172	L	40	3	14	17	8
John Whipple	D	USNTDP U18	NTDP	6'1"	194	L	57	2	15	17	54

HONORABLE MENTIONS LISTED IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER



2024 NHL MOCK DRAFT

1 **MACKLIN
CELEBRINI**
CENTER
5'11" • 187 LBS • L
BOSTON UNIVERSITY • NCAA

2 **ARTYOM
LEVSHUNOV**
DEFENSE
6'2" • 209 LBS • R
MICHIGAN STATE • NCAA

3 **ANTON
SILAYEV**
DEFENSE
6'7" • 207 LBS • L
NIZHNY NOVGOROD • KHL

4 **IVAN
DEMIDOV**
RIGHT WING
6'0" • 192 LBS • L
SKA-1946 ST. PETERSBURG • MHL

5 **CAYDEN
LINDSTROM**
CENTER
6'4" • 216 LBS • L
MEDICINE HAT • WHL

6 **BECKETT
SENNECKE**
RIGHT WING
6'3" • 182 LBS • R
OSHAWA GENERALS • OHL

7 **ZAYNE
PAREKH**
DEFENSE
6'0" • 181 LBS • R
SAGINAW SPIRIT • OHL

8 **ZEEV
BUIUM**
DEFENSE
6'2" • 181 LBS • L
UNIVERSITY OF DENVER • NCAA

9 **TIJ
IGINLA**
LEFT WING / CENTER
6'0" • 181 LBS • L
KELOWNA ROCKETS • WHL

10 **SAM
DICKINSON**
DEFENSE
6'3" • 194 LBS • L
LONDON KNIGHTS • OHL

11 **COLE
EISERMAN**
LEFT WING
6'0" • 196 LBS • L
USNTDP U18 • NTDP

12 **BERKLY
CATTON**
CENTER
5'11" • 163 LBS • L
SPOKANE CHIEFS • WHL

13 **KONSTA
HELENIUS**
CENTER
5'11" • 181 LBS • R
JUKURIT • LIIGA

14 **CARTER
YAKEMCHUK**
DEFENSE
6'3" • 194 LBS • R
CALGARY HITMEN • WHL

15 **STIAN
SOLBERG**
DEFENSE
6'2" • 201 LBS • L
VÅLERENGA • NORWAY

16 **MICHAEL
BRANDSEGG-NYGÅRD**
RIGHT WING
6'1" • 198 LBS • R
MORA IK • ALLSVENSKAN

17 **ADAM
JIRICEK**
DEFENSE
6'2" • 168 LBS • R
HC PLZEN • CZECHIA

18 **MICHAEL
HAGE**
CENTER / RIGHT WING
6'1" • 190 LBS • R
CHICAGO STEEL • USHL

19 **EJ
EMERY**
DEFENSE
6'3" • 185 LBS • R
USNTDP U18 • NTDP

20 **LIAM
GREENTREE**
LEFT WING / RIGHT WING
6'2" • 198 LBS • L
WINDSOR SPITFIRES • OHL

21 **TREVOR
CONNELLY**
LEFT WING / RIGHT WING
6'1" • 161 LBS • L
TRI-CITY STORM • USHL

22 **IGOR
CHERNYSHOV**
LEFT WING
6'2" • 196 LBS • R
DYNAMO MOSKVA • KHL

23 **JETT
LUCHANKO**
CENTER / RIGHT WING
5'11" • 183 LBS • R
GUELPH STORM • OHL

24 **SACHA
BOISVERT**
CENTER
6'2" • 179 LBS • L
MUSKEGON LUMBERJACKS • USHL

25 **COLE
BEAUDOIN**
CENTER
6'2" • 201 LBS • L
BARRIE COLTS • OHL

26 **DOMINIK
BADINKA**
DEFENSE
6'3" • 190 LBS • R
MALMÖ REDHAWKS • SHL

27 **EGOR
SURIN**
CENTER / RIGHT WING
6'1" • 192 LBS • L
LOKO YAROSLAVL • MHL

28 **CHARLIE
ELICK**
DEFENSE
6'3" • 190 LBS • R
BRANDON WHEAT KINGS • WHL

29 **RYDER
RITCHIE**
RIGHT WING / CENTER
6'0" • 174 LBS • R
PRINCE ALBERT RAIDERS • WHL

30 **DEAN
LETOURNEAU**
CENTER
6'7" • 209 LBS • R
ST. ANDREW'S COLLEGE • CAHS

31 **NIKITA
ARTAMONOV**
RIGHT WING / LEFT WING
5'11" • 187 LBS • L
NIZHNY NOVGOROD • KHL

32 **MAREK
VANACKER**
LEFT WING
6'0" • 165 LBS • L
BRANTFORD BULLDOGS • OHL

